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Title: OPTICAL DISK, AND METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR  
REPRODUCING INFORMATION RECORDED IN OPTICAL DISK

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 - Brief Summary of the Invention  
 - Brief Description of the Drawings *(if filed)*  
 - Detailed Description  
 - Claim(s)  
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4.  Drawing(s) *(35 USC 113)* *(Total Sheets: 16)*

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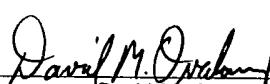
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9.  Assignment Papers (cover sheet & document(s))  
 10.  37 CFR 3.73(b) Statement *(when there is an assignee)*  
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 11.  English Translation Document *(if applicable)*  
 12.  Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)/PTO-1449  
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